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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5603-N-31]

**Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB** 

**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program** 

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

The closeout instructions apply to Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs (State CDBG Program, CDBG Disaster Recovery Supplemental Funding, CDBG—Recovery Act (CDBG—R)) and Neighborhood Stabilization Programs (NSP) 1, 2, & 3. Section 570.509 of the CDBG regulations contains the grant closeout criteria for Entitlement jurisdictions when HUD determines, in consultation with the recipients that a grant can be closed. The State CDBG program does not have a regulatory requirement for closeouts but has relied on administrative guidance. This is also true for the NSP, CDBG Disaster Recovery and CDBG—R funding approval form. The proposed frequency of the response to the collection of

information is annual to initiate the grant closeout reporting and submission of the funding approval agreement. The total annual reporting for grant closeout is estimated at 2399.34 hours for 1,621 grant recipients. The annual submission of the HUD 7082 funding approval form is estimated at 364 hours for 1,456 grant recipients

DATES: Comments Due Date: [Insert Date 30 Days after the date of publication.]

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal.

Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval Number (2506-0077) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202-395-5806. Email:

OIRA Submission@omb.eop.gov fax: 202-395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colette Pollard., Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Colette Pollard at <a href="Colette.Pollard@hud.gov">Colette.Pollard@hud.gov</a>. or telephone (202) 402-3400. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the Information collection described below. This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2)

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Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

TITLE OF PROPOSAL: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement

Program

**OMB APPROVAL NUMBER: 2506-0077** 

FORM NUMBERS: None

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEED FOR THE INFORMATION AND ITS PROPOSED USE:

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REPORTING BURDEN: Number of Annual Hours per Burden

Respondents	Responses	x Response	<u>Hours</u>
1, 145	4	116.55	533,799

**TOTAL ESTIMATED BURDEN HOURS: 533,799** 

**STATUS**: This is an extension of a currently approved collection.

**AUTHORITY:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended

Date: April 17, 2012

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Office of the Chief Information Officer

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